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## SIX Multipay, the leading acquiring company in Switzerland, now enables the acceptance of cards from China UnionPay

**Starting now, merchants can accept cards from China UnionPay – the only bank card organization in the People's Republic of China – through SIX Multipay. Around 2.1 billion cards from China UnionPay are in circulation worldwide.**

>With the acceptance of UnionPay cards, SIX Multipay has extended its product range – which till now has consisted of Visa, MasterCard, Diners Club, Discover and JCB credit cards; V PAY and Maestro debit cards; and the CASH value card– to include another major card brand.

Merchants that decide to accept UnionPay cards gain access to considerable sales potential: the number of overnight stays by Chinese guests in Switzerland – according to the Federal Statistical Office – has more than doubled since 2005. This year, Switzerland will see more visitors from China than Japan for the first time.

Hans-Martin Moser, CEO of SIX Multipay, stated: "It is a proven fact that Chinese prefer to pay with their favorite card on holiday and business trips. We are pleased that we can meet this need." He went on to say: "The expansion of our product range to include the acceptance of UnionPay cards matches our strategy of offering our merchants everything from a single source."

The official launch of the acceptance of UnionPay cards was celebrated with a festive ceremony in Inter-laken at the beginning of this week. Among those in attendance were a China UnionPay delegation from Shanghai as well as the Head of the Department for Business and Trade at the Chinese Embassy in Bern.

Interested merchants can request an offer from SIX Multipay for the acceptance of UnionPay cards and then sign a contract.

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